

**Connecticut Debate Association
December 10, 2016 Tournament
AITE and Simsbury High School**

On behalf of AITE and Coach Claude Morest, and Simsbury High School and Coach Marty Leftoff, we would like to invite you to attend our third tournament of the 2016-17 season on Saturday, December 10. We will follow our standard tournament format.

Please read the following items carefully and note the deadline below:

1. With only two hosts, we have space for 410 debaters or 205 teams so we expect to be oversubscribed. Based on attendance at the October and November tournaments we would like schools to register as follows:

AITE Tournament: AITE, Darien, Greenwich, Immaculate, Lauralton Hall, Joel Barlow, King, New Canaan, Pierrepont, Ridgefield, Seymour, St. Luke's, St. Joseph's, Stamford, Staples, Trumbull, Warde, Westhill, Wilton.

Simsbury Tournament: Amity, Crosby, Daniel Hand, E.O.Smith, East Catholic, Farmington, Glastonbury, Guilford, Hamden, Housatonic Valley, Loomis Chaffee, Pomperaug, Sacred Heart, Shepaug Valley, Simsbury, Westfield/Watkinson, Windsor, Woodbury, Xavier.

If you are not on this list or are unhappy with your assignment, please email us.

2. You must register your teams and judges through tabroom.com. Instructions for using tabroom.com for CDA can be found here: <http://ctdebate.org/PDFs/Using%20Tabroom.pdf>. We will be using tabroom.com for registration for all tournaments.

The tournament entry on tabroom.com has six events, Varsity, Novice and Observer for each of the three schools. You may choose the tournament you would like to attend by registering your debaters in the events for one high school or the other.

The tournament will be open for registration on Monday, November 28 at 8AM.

3. AS WE ARE LIKELY TO BE OVERSUBSCRIBED, ALL ENTRIES WILL BE WAITLISTED. ON TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 6, AT 9PM, WE WILL ADMIT AS MANY TEAMS AS WE CAN. SCHOOLS THAT ENTER TEAMS AFTER TUESDAY EVENING AT 9PM WILL ONLY BE ADMITTED IF THERE IS SPACE AVAILABLE.

4. Please abide by the rules for Novice eligibility (unchanged from last year):

The Novice division will be open to Freshman and Sophomores, regardless of experience or record. They may qualify and participate as Novices in State Finals both years. However, they may move up to Varsity at any time if they or their coach choose, and once having moved up, may not return to Novice. Coaches are encouraged to move Sophomores up to Varsity if they have been successful as a Freshman, but are not required to do so.

Juniors who have never debated before in CDA may participate as Novices in their first regular CDA tournament. Otherwise they may only debate in Varsity. They may not participate in State Finals except in Varsity. They may only qualify for State Finals while debating in Varsity.

Seniors may not participate as Novices in any CDA tournament.

5. To qualify for State Finals, a debater must win a trophy at a regular tournament, or go 3-0 at two regular tournaments. In other words, simply going 3-0 at one tournament without winning a trophy will not qualify.

6. You can find directions to the schools at their web sites:

AITE

411 High Ridge Road, Stamford, CT 06905

<http://www.aitestamford.org/>

Simsbury High School

34 Farms Village Rd., Simsbury, CT 06070

<http://www.simsbury.k12.ct.us/page.cfm?p=33>

If you have questions, please email me at ejrutan3@ctdebate.org . I look forward to seeing you there.

Tournament Day Schedule

Time	Activity	Location
8-9AM	Registration and coffee	Cafeteria
9AM	Resolution and packet distributed	Cafeteria
9-10AM	Preparation for debaters Workshop for judges	Cafeteria As directed
10-11:30AM	Round 1 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
11:30AM-1PM	Round 2 (random pairings)	Room listed on round schedule
1-2PM	Lunch	Cafeteria
2-3:30PM	Round 3 (power matched, flip for side)	Room listed on round schedule
3:30-5PM	Varsity Final Round	Auditorium or cafeteria
5-5:30PM	Awards	Auditorium or cafeteria
5:30PM	Departure	